

## Saturday Gazette

Bloomfield and Montclair, N. J.

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## The Saturday Gazette.

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NEWS AND LOCAL INTERESTS.All public and local questions, including  
political and social, sanitary and reform-  
atory, educational and industrial topics will  
be clearly presented and fully and fairly dis-  
cussed.It is intended and expected to make it  
not only readable and interesting to the  
general reader, but of special value to citi-  
zens of the county and of real importance to  
every resident of Bloomfield, Montclair and  
Caldwell.Nothing will be admitted to its columns  
that is unworthy of cordial welcome to  
every family circle.Solicited *Opinions* in the county and all  
Public School Teachers in the county will  
receive the paper gratuitously by sending their  
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considerably elsewhere. Subscriptions  
and advertisements will be received in  
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Scott; in Newark, by W. H. Winans, 445  
Broad street, and at our office in Bloom-  
field, or by mail to Wm. F. Lyon, Editor,  
and Proprietor, Bloomfield, N. J.

## AN IMPORTANT DECISION.

The Court of Errors has just made a decision  
in reference to the wood pavement in  
Broad st. between Market and Canal bridge  
Newark, which not only reverse the judg-  
ment of the Supreme Court, and throws  
the entire cost of that work upon the city,  
but will cause a change in the mode of  
assessing the whole cost of public improve-  
ments upon lands in the vicinity of such  
improvements.The points decided were that it is not  
within the Constitutional power of the  
Legislature to impose as a tax upon the  
owners of adjacent property for any more  
of the cost of a public improvement than  
is equal to the benefit which such property  
derives from the improvement.That to the extent of which such ad-  
jacent property derives a special or par-  
ticular benefit from the public improvement  
the owners may be required to pay for it,  
but all costs in excess of the benefit must  
be borne by the public at large, and any  
legislative act contrary to this is unconsti-  
tutional.It follows from this that the provisions  
of the city charter which require the total  
cost of street improvements, sewers, etc., to  
be paid by owners of the adjoining prop-  
erty are unconstitutional.The immediate effect of this decision is  
to vacate the assessment for the Broad st.  
pavement, and in similar cases to vacate  
assessments levied in other parts of the  
State.

## TOWN COUNCIL.

At the meeting on Friday last, Abram  
Garabrant, George W. Thompson, Ann  
Barrab F. Harvey, S. Sears Baldwin and John  
Ferguson were appointed Pound Masters.The following bills were directed to be  
paid: J. H. Way for provisions furnished  
for the poor \$20; J. H. Lockwood, ditto,  
\$47.09; M. Noon, ditto, \$81.The former Town Collector was notified  
to produce his accounts and vouchers  
since last settlement for a final adjustment  
and settlement at next meeting of the  
Council.

## EUCLEIAN SOCIETY.

Whoever would like to be convinced of  
the intellectual character of our young men  
should be present at one of the meetings of  
the Eucleian Society which meets on  
Monday evenings every fortnight, for Liter-  
ary exercises and discussions. Most of our  
intelligent young men belong to it and  
take an assigned part in its perfor-  
mances.Last Monday evening the public was es-  
pecially invited to come and witness one  
of their regular fortnightly programmes.  
A good number of citizens and ladies filled  
the hall and we venture to say enjoyed the  
occasion as much as any of the costly en-  
tertainments of the past season. It was  
gratifying to notice several of the pastors,  
and some of the fathers, and also a rep-  
resentation from Montclair.We cannot undertake to criticize in de-  
tail the several performances, and if we  
should, it would only result in commendation  
of each for they were all excellent of  
their kind.  
The factions critique of Mr. George Re-  
land on the exercises of the previous  
meeting excited many a smile in the audi-  
tory and seemed to be especially appre-  
ciated by the members of the association. An  
essay by Mr. James M. Chalmers on Sum-  
mer was well conceived and expressed.  
The Society Journal was read by Mr. Jo-  
seph B. Maxwell, the editor, and was well  
received.The debate was of special interest. The  
question, "Is the imagination more largely  
possessed and more fully developed in man  
than in woman?" was sustained in the af-  
firmative by Messrs. D. G. Garabrant and  
E. W. H. Hawkinsworth; and in the nega-  
tive by Mr. Faulkner, as a vol-  
unteer substitute for Mr. Halley M. Bur-  
nett absent and Mr. O. C. Harwick, unpre-  
pared. Mr. Garabrant gave the key to the  
whole discussion in opening the debate by  
defining the limits of the faculty as dis-  
tinct from and altogether superior to mere  
fancy, which he allowed women to excel in,  
and by referring to four spheres of de-  
velopment and exercise of the faculty toillustrate its use and its uses: viz.: Inven-  
tion, the Drama, Musical Composition and  
Poetry—in all of which he claimed man  
was preeminent by universal consent.Mr. Faulkner took decided issue with him  
on all the points, claiming that invention  
draws very little on the imagination but  
is dependent upon the reasoning power  
chiefly. In the drama he thought women  
had attained as great and greater eminence,  
&c. He evinced much skill in attacking his  
adversary and in defending his own side.Rev. D. Kennelly and Stubbart and Prof.  
Root were requested by resolution to con-  
fer together and report which side had the  
better of the argument. Their verdict  
was in favor of the affirmative debaters  
Messrs. Garabrant and Hawkinsworth.Mr. A. Waters of Newark recited in a  
most natural and expressive manner an in-  
teresting passage from Mark Twain and  
afterward another humorous narrative,  
both very much to the entertainment of  
his auditory.One of the most intensely interesting  
features in the programme for the evening  
was the "Battle of Bull Run," succinctly  
and graphically described and illustrated  
by a map which he had drawn for the pur-  
pose—by the President of the Association.  
Perfectly familiar himself with all the  
points, the number of troops in each of the  
divisions, the names of the several Gener-  
als, the plans and movements of the op-  
posing forces and the cause of the defeat  
of the Union Army, he succeeded in mak-  
ing it as clear to the apprehension of the  
audience as the Sun at noon-day.This Association has never been on a  
more prosperous footing than at the pres-  
ent time.NEWSPAPER POSTAGE IN THE HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES.—Under the suspension  
of the rules, the House passed a bill provid-  
ing for the free transmission of newspaper  
exchanges through the mails, and for the  
free distribution of newspapers within the  
county of their publication, but not by  
carriers. The vote by which this bill was  
passed was 178, yeas 41. The members  
from the country districts were almost  
unanimous in favor of this proposition, as  
the pressure from the rural publishers has  
been very great.During the last two weeks, as we learn  
from the returns of the Board of Health,  
there have been 160 deaths in New York  
from scarlet fever, and 133 deaths from  
measles. Thus, 303 children have died  
within a fortnight from two diseases.The papers have been occupied with ac-  
counts of the loss of the French Liner  
Steamer Europe, which foundered at sea,  
the passengers and crew all being rescued  
by the steamer Greece of the "National  
Line," and brought in to New York.A real sensation has been created by  
the discovery of a conspiracy between a  
Doctor Euling of New York and a young  
woman named Louisa Germs to defraud  
the Merchants Life Insurance Company of  
\$10,000 in which they had in 1873 a joint  
policy for that sum on her life. The  
young woman was induced to go through  
a sham death and funeral which the doc-  
tor reported and gave a certificate of as  
real, bricks being substituted however for  
her body in the coffin before interment.  
Prevarications in the Doctor's statements  
to the Insurance Company about con-  
sulting physicians excited suspicions and  
indeed the disinterment of the coffin  
and the exposure of the fraud. The parties  
have all been arrested.A YOUNG LADIES SCHOOL AT  
MONTCLAIR.When anything of excellent quality  
seems liable to miss being fully ap-  
preciated, because its owner is too mod-  
est to push it into notoriety, I think that  
it is a kind of duty for those who know  
its merit to make it known to others. It  
happens that one of the most excellent in-  
stitutions in this vicinity is conducted by  
one of the most modest and unpretentious  
of men—I mean Mr. Rodman's school for  
young ladies in Montclair. I suspect that  
many of our people hardly appreciate its  
uncommon excellence, because its conduc-  
tor is totally without the disposition to  
praise and push it into notice. I want to  
give my testimony to some of its peculiar  
merits. It would be quite unnecessary, in  
this community, to say anything in general  
terms about the high character and gen-  
uine culture of Mr. Rodman. But as a  
teacher he has certain gifts which are rare  
even among men of culture and character.  
He uses the faculty which beyond any  
other marks the born teacher, of arousing  
a love of knowledge for its own sake.  
Discarding all rivalry and other artificial  
stimulus, he successfully cultivates in his  
pupils the desire to know, the active taste  
for the elevated subjects, which is the root  
of all true mental growth, as well as an en-  
nobling influence upon character. He  
trains his students to independent action.  
They are constantly led to study the reason  
of things, and not to rest blindly on author-  
ity, even the authority of the teacher  
himself. In a word Mr. Rodman's system  
is that of true education, as distinguished  
from cramming. At the same time, he is  
exceedingly thorough in that close drill of  
the faculties which some subjects require.  
In Latin, for instance, his scholars show  
a mastery of the difficult forms which only  
the most faithful training can give. I  
think this combination, in one man's in-  
struction, of awakening the love of knowl-  
edge, training the mind to indepen-  
dent action, and developing accuracy  
and close application, is something very  
unusual. The fruits of it, as seen in the  
progress of Mr. Rodman's scholars, will  
justify all that I have said. The moral  
influence of the school is pure and elevat-  
ing in a corresponding degree. I should  
not perhaps have written this if I had not  
believed that in this case, as often happens,  
a modest man's low estimate of his own  
work somewhat affects other people's esti-  
mate, and hinders his receiving full appre-  
ciation.  
O. E. M.  
It is one of the best schools in the coun-  
try.HOME MATTERS.  
BLOOMFIELD.

WEATHER CHRONICLE.

Range of Thermometer at Bloomfield Centre.  
April.

9	10	11	12	13	14	15
41°	50°	53°	54°	51°	50°	48°
44°	41°	56°	53°	48°	50°	64°
At 9 P.M.	42°	40°	52°	30°	34°	58°
						61°

## PARISH MEETING.

The First Presbyterian Congregation,  
Bloomfield, should not forget the Parish  
Meeting to-night (17th) at 7½ P. M., to  
take action on the subject of a new-pavement.

## BLOOMFIELD IMPROVEMENTS.

MONROE PLACE.—The metamorphosis  
that has changed the unknown and uncarved  
Division Street into the beautiful Mon-  
roe Place with sixteen new and fine resi-  
dences is due to the enterprise and taste of  
Mr. Joseph P. Hague, one of our younger  
citizens. The project at first quite startled  
the older inhabitants of Bloomfield; and  
then elicited unbounded praise from all.  
Events, not looked for, however, the wide  
spread panic, with its financial embarrass-  
ments and business prostration, and the  
perversity of the National Congress in de-  
laying the needed legislation on the cur-  
rency and kindred subjects, deranging or  
thwarting all plans of enterprise, could not  
but seriously obstruct this immense un-  
dertaking of Mr. Hague. Nevertheless,  
the character of the improvement and the  
very considerable success that attended his  
efforts reflect great credit upon the young  
but doubly origination of it, whose name  
will doubtless long be associated with that  
locality as—

## THE HAGUE IMPROVEMENT.

ITS PRESENT STATUS.—There are, in  
all, eighteen of these houses, five on the  
North side and thirteen on the South side  
of the street. Of the latter, five are not  
completed, but can be finished in a few  
weeks. They are all different in style and  
architecture but exceedingly cheerful, and  
lavishing, and we are told that they are  
well built and convenient, with gas and  
water improvement. The lots are generally  
50x100 feet, a few of them are larger.  
The two fronting the Park are built by a  
most reliable builder, Peter Condit, and  
are attractive in style and appearance, but  
will not be finished till they are sold. The  
next house on the South side is owned and  
occupied by Mr. Edward Wilde, merchant.  
It is one of the handsomest houses on the  
street. Its lot is 100x150 feet. The next  
two houses are owned by Mr. David W.  
Pierson of East Orange and are rented re-  
spectively to Mrs. Wm. E. Rice and Mr. J.  
N. Day.The fourth house, white, is occupied ac-  
cording to Mr. Harrison, who will soon re-  
move into the A. T. Morris house on Cen-  
tral Avenue which is now undergoing  
much needed renovation. The fifth house,  
French roof, has been rented, with the  
privilege of purchase, to Mr. Robert J.  
Duff, book-keeper and cashier of the *New  
York Weekly*. The sixth is at present vac-  
ant. The seventh, French roof, is rented  
to Dr. Frank E. Bailey, homoeopath, and  
the eighth is occupied by Mr. George Prid-  
ham, owner; the ninth, tenth, and eleventh  
are not finished.Mr. James H. Randall is the owner of  
the fine mansion and ample lot on the cor-  
ner of Monroe Place and Spruce Street—his  
homestead. The opposite corner is  
Mr. Fullman's, adjoining which, on Mon-  
roe Place, Mr. Fullman is preparing to  
erect as we are informed a large and hand-  
some residence. Mr. Sheldon is the owner  
and occupant of the large old mansion  
next, with its acre and a half lot, orchard  
and garden. Then Mr. Cross of New  
York has rented the adjoining house, and  
the next, lately occupied by Pridham, is  
vacant. It is owned by Mr. L. Little, of  
Newark; Rev. Mr. Davis, late of Morris-  
town, has fixed his residence in the second  
one from the Park, while the first one  
from the Park, with its matchless sidewalk  
and beautiful fence is the homestead of Mr.  
Hague, senior.There are two vacant lots fronting the  
Park, 75x175 feet deep. One of them be-  
long to Mr. Theodore Ward, who intends  
some time to erect for himself a fine resi-  
dence upon it.There will be some 24 beautiful and con-  
venient and most desirable residences on  
Monroe Place when all are completed.  
We feel it our duty again to suggest  
that the bold and courageous projectors of  
such improvements deserve well of their  
fellow-citizens. With sanguine hopes of  
personal gain, but with imminent risk of  
serious loss, they boldly undertake an en-  
terprise which results greatly to the ad-  
vantage of the town. They spend large  
sums of money in the place, beautify the  
village, turn its fields into attractive  
dwelling, increase its population, augment  
its taxable property, and diffuse a spirit of  
improvement through the community.Like most geniuses these men often im-  
poverish themselves, while they confer  
lasting benefits upon society and the town.

## MONTCLAIR.

There is to be a very fine Parlor Concert  
for the benefit of the Episcopal Church in  
this village. It will be given in the ample  
parlors of Mrs. N. Sullivan on Mountain  
Avenue on Friday evening, 19th inst.  
Those who will be fortunate who secure tickets.The Saturday Gazette will always be  
on sale at the Post Office, and also at E.  
Madison's Stationery store.There will be a sensation in the village  
next Tuesday, to be followed by others of  
the same kind at frequent intervals. We  
hesitate for the occasion fine weather.The new Town Committee will meet for  
organization on Saturday evening.Mr. Neiderhausen's new store is to be oc-  
cupied about May 1st by some ladies from  
Brooklyn who design opening a general  
millinery, dressmaking and fancy good  
store.Mr. Mockridge has a line of samples in  
his Carriage Repository, and will soon be in  
readiness to manufacture and repair.Cooper Bros. are among the latest arriv-  
als in town, who have opened a most  
vegetable market in the old Romer Build-  
ing on Bloomfield Avenue.The Y. M. C. A. have transferred their  
reading room to Association Hall, which is  
hereafter to be used for their meetings.  
The half-past six o'clock Sunday evening  
meeting at this place is well attended.The Town Committee have taken the  
rooms formerly used for reading rooms, in  
Jacobus' building.The Local Option Committee have issued  
a circular to every freeholder in the town-  
ship explaining the law relating to liquor  
selling in this place. It appears that only  
one or two have been licensed, and those  
only who have accommodation for man and  
beast.Rev. O. W. Smith succeeds Rev. James  
Ayers as pastor of the M. E. church. Mr.  
Smith is a young man and is highly spoken  
of as a preacher.

## THE CITY OF THE GULF.

(From our own Correspondent.)  
MONROE, March, 1874.The town, as I stated in my last, is  
handsomely laid out, the streets generally  
wide and at right angles, with many hand-  
some residences, and grounds arranged  
with great taste. Government street is  
particularly beautiful, in fact I think the  
finest in the city. The mildness of the  
climate in winter, favoring the growth in  
open air of many plants which with us at  
the North can only be safely kept in the  
green house, here are cultivated in the  
open ground, Japonica, Azaleas, Jas-  
mines, Roses, etc., now in full bloom, of a  
size and richness of coloring that would  
gladden the heart of the most enthusiastic  
floriculturist. The drives in the suburbs  
are very pleasant; the most so to us, is the  
shell road skirting the shores of the Bay,  
and through the famed magnolia grove,  
the trees of which line the shore for the  
distance of two miles. They are ever-  
green, and in their beauty about May,  
when the fragrance exhaled from their  
blossoms laden the air with delicious per-  
fume. We met also with large quantities  
of Spanish moss, hanging in graceful foli-  
ous from the trees and adding much to  
the beauty of the scenery. Several country  
seats are passed on the road, the grounds  
of which, although showing neglect, are  
filled with a great variety of tropical ever-  
greens, notably the bitter orange, now  
loaded with its rich golden fruit, delight-  
ing the eye and making a pleasant feature  
in the landscape.The city is well supplied with churches,  
and might with some truth be called the  
"City of Churches." The Presbyterian,  
Episcopal, Baptist, Methodist, Roman  
Catholic are all represented. The Baptist  
church on St. Michael's street is thought  
to be the finest; it certainly has a beauti-  
ful tapering spire reaching far towards the  
clouds. The Presbyterian Church, on  
Government street, is also a handsome edifice  
of the Grecian order of architecture. The  
clergy appear to be earnest and active,  
and minister to large congregations. I  
could not but notice with regret the omis-  
sion at the services I attended of the usual  
prayer for the President of the United  
States and all in authority; it could hardly  
have been accidental.The public buildings are not very pre-  
tentious in style; the finest is that devoted  
to the use of the Custom House, Post  
Office, and United States Courts. It is a  
massive structure of Maine granite, and  
all arranged for the purposes for which it  
is used. A Park, in the centre of the city,  
not large, but nicely arranged, with an in-  
numerable number of lively, active squir-  
rels and a few tame deer is a pleasant  
feature. A visit to Magnolia Cemetery  
will repay you for the time devoted to it.  
The level nature of the ground prevents  
much advantage being taken in landscape  
gardening; but great taste is displayed in  
the arrangements of the grounds and the  
plots. I apprehend the heat of the  
climate prevents the cultivation of the  
smooth grassy turf, which adds so much to  
the beauty of the Northern country. A  
portion of the Cemetery is devoted to  
graves of Confederate soldiers and is  
kept in much better condition than the Na-  
tional Cemetery immediately adjoining,  
containing the bodies of some two or three  
thousand Union soldiers, who fell near  
Mobile, "giving their lives that their  
country might live."Altogether this appears a pleasant place  
for a winter residence. The markets are  
good, supplied with many luxuries; the  
fish are particularly good—the red snapper,  
sheep-head, trout, etc., with the bonito,  
found only in Southern waters, and esteem-  
ed by epicures as the finest fish caught; I  
however, think it lacks the delicacy of  
flavor found in the Spanish mackerel.The gardens in the vicinity are quite ad-  
vanced, many of the early vegetables ready  
for the table.  
MONTCLAIR.

## COLDWELL.

(From our own Correspondent.)

THE TOWN ELECTION.—There are no  
immediate signs of a political millennium  
in this township that I can discover. The  
same unyielding and inflexible purpose to  
paddle independent party canoes is devel-  
oped here that has been observable in  
Montclair and Bloomfield. There is, per-  
haps, exhilarating sport identified with  
such a spirited programme. Of course,  
there must be a winning and losing party  
in the contest for power and then the mys-  
terious "spoils" are crumbs of unspeakable  
comfort to the victorious contestants.However small the "crumb" offered now-  
a-days is the political market to these who  
are officially called upon to partake of the  
nutritious particle, still, there is some-  
thing so tempting in the morsel that self-  
sacrificing mortals clamor lustily for its at-  
tainment. Indeed, the army of office  
seekers outnumber the offices to be filled in  
the ratio of ten to one all over the country.  
There must be something wonderfully infa-  
tuating in the great political whirl into  
which these daring aspirants so recklessly  
rush. True the turbulence of the political  
waters—seething and foaming, intoxicat-  
ing and threatening, as around and around  
they bear these martyrs to the public goal,  
seem anything but inviting to ordinary  
mortals, yet to the actors in comedy, these  
are the waters of life replete with charm-  
ing facilities. It is a wonderful thing  
now to be invested with a public trust  
Humble and insignificant though it may  
seem, in itself, to the unsophisticated  
disciple of humanity, still, it  
furnishes at once a few attractive "pick-  
ings" with a hopeful prospect of  
richer gleanings at some future time.  
There must, therefore, be two parties  
in the political arena all over and every-  
where. Modern patriotism runs too  
high to permit a yielding on either side.  
Measures here become nothing when  
weighed against fish, bone, silver and po-  
litical life. The public good, or *pro bono  
publico*, is a sentiment that belongs to the  
superannuated fossils of earlier times! It  
doesn't enter into the political vocabulary  
of our modern schools. We change the  
philosophy to a more comprehensive sig-  
nification and "Ring" is the magic word  
that jingles all over the continent in these  
eventful times. And what pretty melody  
it makes to taxpayers and other unfortu-  
nate outsiders of the charmed circle!Will the time never come when gar-  
tical offices will be filled by gentlemen se-  
lected by their fellow citizens irrespective  
of party ties? In the name of humanity, I  
ask, what principle of party is at stake in  
the filling of these places? Where is the  
issue? You can't find it except in the  
"spoils" and this is the Alpha and the  
Omega of the whole matter. It should be  
the fixed principle of the leading men of  
every township to see that the very best  
men are brought forward for local office,  
regardless of their political orthodoxy.  
High toned honesty and capability are the  
legitimate, and, indeed, the only qualifica-  
tions required of those men by the people.  
As a general rule we can't find these quali-  
ties in the wool dyed politician. We nei-  
ther look for nor expect any such thing, and  
the only way to secure these qualities in  
our public men is to repudiate party ties  
altogether.I am glad to notice even a partial yield  
on this point here. Although two tickets  
have been run, still the Union ticket, with  
the exception of a few names, is a copy of  
the Democratic ticket; of course I refer to  
the township election of Monday last. The  
Democrats as usual elected all their candi-  
dates. So far as I have been able to learn  
these are "good men and true," and have  
the entire confidence of the community.The amount to be raised here this ses-  
sion, for township purposes is two thousand  
dollars for school purposes the same  
figures are designated. Our road tax is  
to be one third of the amount of taxes col-  
lected exclusive of the school tax.The following are the standard bearers of  
this township for the ensuing year.  
Township Clerk—George M. Canfield.  
Assessor—George C. Burnett.  
Collector—Matthias S. Canfield.  
Judges of Election—Stephen Van Or-  
den, William H. Phillips.  
Chosen Freeholders—Jotham E. Wil-  
liams, Lewis G. Lockward.Township Commissioners—Owen M. Beach,  
Moses A. Hooge, Henry Dey, Isaac M. Ja-  
cobus, William Bush.  
Overseer of the Poor—Nicholas Bush,  
William H. Canfield.  
Commissioners of Appeals—James H.  
Crane, Samuel Crane, Austin Hadden.  
Surveyors of Highways—Augustus Pow-  
ell, Cornelius Kent.  
Constables—Thomas J. Courter, Wil-  
liam Smith, Samuel Dey.Your correspondent is indebted to  
Judge John M. Chesney for the above re-  
turns.  
For Saturday Gazette.EXHIBITION OF COLDWELL PUB-  
LIC SCHOOL.Last Thursday evening, April 9, the  
school-house at Franklin was crowded to  
its utmost capacity with the parents and  
friends of the school who assembled to  
witness the first exhibition ever given by  
this school.

## PROGRAMME.

Song—By the School.  
Dialogue—By W. Richmond, F. Condit,  
Barbara Frutcher.  
Restless Waves—By Willie Keltie.  
Spelling Class Recitation—By 12 Boys.

## The Letter—Dialogue.

By O. Kent, J. Van Nieu.

Song—By Harry Backus.

The Reason Why—By Harry Backus.

Dialogue—By H. Miller, E. Harrison.

Harlequin School Meeting—By Nora Bond.

Violin Solo—By E. Van Nieu.

The Old Tree—By Berthe Francisco.

Song—By 13 Boys.

Great Expectations (in two parts) By  
W. Keltie, L. Jacobus.

Dialogue—By 12 Boys.

F. Condit.

Dialogue—By F. H. Bush, Alice Jacobus.

Song—By 12 Boys.

Dialogue—By E. Courter, S. Stager.

Old Grimes—By Harry Miller.

Young Grimes—By E. Garabrant.

Song—By 12 Boys.

Dialogue—Sam Weller's Valentine By  
O. Kent, F. Van Nieu.

Dialogue—By Mary Crane, L. Jacobus.

Hollen Linden—By Harry Backus.

Song—By 13 Boys.

Miss Muloney on the Chinese—By W.  
Richmond.

The Snack in School—By Mamie King.

Song—By the School.

Dialogue—By J. Van Nieu, J. Higgins.

The Poster Man of Business—By 12  
scholars.

Song—By 12 Scholars.

Essay on the Horse—Aeon.

Valedictory—By J. Van Nieu.

Although the programme was long, there  
was nothing tiresome about the exhibition.  
Everything passed off smoothly and each  
piece, by the thoroughness of its rendi-  
tion, betokened much care in its prepara-  
tion.Many of the pieces, some, too, delivered  
by small children, were rendered in true  
stage style.Where all did so well it might seem in-  
vidious to praise any, but if any need a  
special praise, I would give it to Master  
Backus, whose song was particularly well  
sung, and to Master Willie Richmond,  
whose discourse on the Chinese Question  
was one of the features of the evening.The songs by the twelve boys, who were  
dressed in rags, and who were called the  
"Caldwell Public School ragbush," were  
very laughable.  
Miss Nora Bond, one of the pupils of  
the school, presided over the organ in a  
very creditable manner.  
At the conclusion of the evening's enter-  
tainment a quiet vote of thanks was given  
and the exhibition closed.This school it will be remembered is one  
of the three districts that united last year,  
and are now building a new house which,  
when done, will probably be one of the  
handsomest school-buildings in New Jer-  
sey. Its cost will be about \$2,000. It  
will be done in August, and will be occu-  
pied for school purposes next September.  
It will be a graded school of eight grades,  
the highest grade attaining almost to the  
grade of a high school. During the past  
year the Franklin branch of the school  
has been under the charge of Mr. Ely,  
a gentleman from Union County, in this  
State. In this branch of the school there  
has been an attendance of about seventy  
five pupils—in all the schools of the dis-  
trict about two hundred. I am glad to  
say that although the interest in schools  
has been dormant for some time it is awak-  
ening.—Reported by J. P. V.LIGHTS AND SHADOWS OF HOUSE-  
KEEPING.

ARMENT HUBBARD—SECRET SOCIETY.

How quickly the last of the week comes  
around; thought I will look my basket of  
stockings to mend. Although not as many  
as usual, eighteen pairs were quite enough  
for one evening's work. The younger chil-  
dren were asleep, the two eldest in the li-  
brary studying their lessons. I thought  
to go down and sit there and encourage  
them by my presence, perhaps render them  
a little help now and then. Taking up my  
basket I was turning to leave the room when  
Katy tapped and announced our neighbor  
of a few months, Mrs. Jay. I can't afford  
an evening in the parlor without work, the  
children are in the library I thought, so I  
said, ask her up stairs to the nursery.  
She is a woman of simple ways and I be-  
lieve would be pleased with the familiar-  
ity."Now this is real nice" said she when she  
saw me take up my work at the same time  
taking a baby's sock from her pocket and